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Our San Francisco Letter.

NO ACTION ON THE HAWAIIAN TREATY IN CONGRESS.

(From the Special Correspondent of the Standard.)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—The indications are that Congress will adjourn without taking any definite action on the Hawaiian Treaty. There is a mass of important business that is liable to receive more immediate attention, although the session is already protracted, and a great deal of time has been occupied in discussing the Chinese question in its various phases. I think the determined opposition that has been made against the immigration clause in the Chinese Treaty, where even greater interests are at stake, may be accepted as an indication in favor of our own treaty. The Georgia Senators, Hill and Brown, who were the prime movers against the Hawaiian Treaty during the earlier days of the session, are about to resign, being confirmed invalids and not long for this world. The *Chronicle* appears to have given up the fight, as its attacks are becoming weaker and fewer. It is quite evident that such has given out, and this is a sign that its influence is no longer desirable. What has appeared of late resembles the faint and spasmodic yelping of a defeated cur. The New York Sugar King has no further use for it, for the best of reasons. It may interest the people of the Islands to know that important changes have taken place in the management of this same sheet within the past few weeks, and that De Young's trip abroad means a freeze-out by the controlling stock-holders.

In conversation with a prominent commercial writer the other day, on the subject of the treaty, he outlined some important amendments that ought to be made as a protective measure, should there be a possibility of its extension, as he entertained no doubt of its continuance according to the original stipulation. As it now stands the terms of the treaty are not explicit as to giving American material and manufactured articles in the shape of machinery, etc., the preference. He also considers that a point should be made against Hawaiian products being brought into the United States in other than American or Hawaiian bottoms, all of which is quite reasonable.

On the same principle, it seems to me that Pacific Coast manufacturers should take the preference over all others, where cost and material are items of consideration. I take this view in connection with the comments that have been made various times in regard to Col. Judd's mission East and elsewhere to procure furniture and material for the new palace. In the way of brisa-brac, etc., perhaps the Pacific Coast could not supply everything necessary.

As the head of a nation that has derived so many important benefits through its commercial relations with this portion of the United States, the King's example in this respect appears somewhat ungrateful, and in addition, it is seriously doubted if anything can be obtained elsewhere that could not have been purchased in this market at less cost. I suppose the Colonel is satisfied with the result of his mission, as he and Mrs. Judd returned from their pleasant pilgrimage a few days ago, and will probably take passage homeward on the *City of Sydney*. If the Legislature or the tax-payers do not demur at the expense of sending the Colonel abroad—all of which must figure up to quite an item—I do not object to the arrangement, after all, as the scheme gives a sort of *esprit de corps* to His Majesty's affairs, though it is a part of my duty as a faithful correspondent to take note of such matters as may interest the patrons of the journal which I am called upon to represent. I have seen it elsewhere quoted that to whom much is given will be required. Now the Pacific Coast has done much for His Majesty's dominions, and it is natural that we should expect much (or as much as possible with consistency) in return; but after all, it strikes me I have also seen it quoted that Kings are sometimes ungrateful.

Alluding to "missions," I am reminded that His Excellency H. A. P. Carter has been successful beyond expectation in his mission to Portugal in search of laborers, and that more applications have been made than can be accommodated as a first installment from the Western Islands, and a second vessel would follow in a few weeks later. This will no doubt be a good piece of news to all interested in the prosperity of the Islands as the Portuguese are an industrious and intelligent race who are in every respect suited to the climate and conditions of the Islands. I learn that Paul Isenbeck, who returns by the steamer, has been successful in securing about one hundred German laborers, who take passage for Honolulu by the *Island* from Bremen. This is the sort of immigration most desirable, and although the outlay may be great at first, the benefit to be derived eventually will be far greater than can ever be hoped for with heathen immigration such as the Chinese and kindred races.

That reminds me that a Chinese Commissioner leaves to-day for Honolulu by the steamer to investigate certain matters that have attracted the attention of the Chinese Consul-General here. From what I can learn, a change is contemplated in the position of Chinese representative at Honolulu, as the present incumbent does not appear to have the entire confidence of his Government or its representatives here. As the local press is not aware of this much, up to the present time, the matter has not attracted any attention, and I understand it is the intention to afford as little information as possible, should it be elicited, although Col. Bee, the Chinese Vice-Counsel, is always extremely courteous to members of the press.

One of the through passengers leaving to-day is Miss Emilie Melville (Mrs. Thos. Derby), a California prima donna who visited Honolulu several years ago, en route to and from Australia. About three years ago she organized an English opera company in this city, of which Annie Montague and Chas. Turner were among the principals, and it was owing to Miss Melville's jealousy of our Island prima donna that Mr. and Mrs. Turner withdrew from the company and eventually went to Australia, where they have since earned fame and fortune. Miss Melville has not enjoyed much popularity during her recent tour of the East, and as a last resort she starts for a second season in Australia, where she was quite a favorite before her voice became worn.

We are all waiting anxiously to learn the President's action on the Ten-years' Chinese Bill, as his signature to it is confidently expected to-day. There are those, however, who are prepared, from the dil-

tory course he has pursued in regard to both bills, that he will return the second unsigned as he did the first, after keeping us in suspense until the last moment. The feeling against the President is intense throughout the Pacific Coast, and already the signs are in favor of a Democratic majority, as far as we are concerned, in favor of the next President. The Democrats are consequently quite jubilant over the prospects ahead, and are bound to make big political capital out of the antagonism against any further Chinese invasion, which is already attracting the attention of the laboring classes in the East. Several meetings have been held in Chicago and elsewhere on this subject, and it will require keen diplomacy on the part of the Republicans leaders to save their party from utter defeat at the next Presidential election. Republicans here acknowledge this much. The fact is, success has made the party-leaders reckless; and instead of statesmanship and diplomacy, they rely on political trickery and machine-work.

The news which the outgoing mail carries is of an unusually startling character. At present, the entire country is horrified over the unexpected turn affairs have taken in Ireland, by the assassination of Lord Frederick Cavendish, the new Chief Secretary of Ireland, and Thomas Henry Burke Under-Secretary, who were stabbed to death while promenading in Phoenix Park, Dublin, late Saturday afternoon. The murderers have not yet been discovered or identified, although the deed was committed in broad daylight. Intense excitement prevails throughout the United Kingdom, and, according to our telegraphic advices since, it is the all-absorbing topic everywhere. The deed is unaccountable, as much so as was the murder of President Garfield, and as much unequalled for, as the liberation of the Irish leaders and the new conciliatory policy adopted by the British Government had given a more hopeful aspect to Irish affairs. In fact, in this city and all over the United States, Saturday night was a period of great rejoicing among the Irish, and mass-meetings were held to celebrate the release of Parnell, Dillon, O'Kelly and other very prominent Land Leaguers. Union Hall, in this city, was packed by a most enthusiastic gathering which did not disperse until a late hour, and it was before the adjournment that the news of the assassination came flashing over the wires. Prominent Irishmen claim that it was instigated by fanaticism and ignorance, and was not the outgrowth of any concealed political plot.

Saturday morning's papers contained a dispatch giving the dreadful sequel to the ill-fated *Jeanette* expedition, and, as if the intelligence that Commander DeLong and ten of his companions had been discovered frozen to death was not startling enough, came a rumor that thirty-seven of the Roger's crew had also perished. The latter report turned out to be a canard. After the finding of DeLong and his party by Engineer Melville, in the location in anticipated, he kept on in search of Lieutenant Chipps and his comrades, but it is the impression that they were swamped in a storm that separated the three boats. James Gordon Bennett, the promoter of the *Jeanette* expedition, is the subject of some harsh comments from the press, in this connection, but had it terminated the other way, he would have been eulogized by the same papers for his enterprise. Scientists now assert that any further discoveries should be left to whalers and others familiar with the Arctic and its currents. A move is to be made in Congress against any further assistance to facilitate Arctic discoveries.

Murders are becoming so frequent with us that it is something surprising if a week should pass without one. The latest occurred early Sunday morning. Two brothers, James G. and John R. Troy, engaged in Bancroft's printing establishment, knifed each other, in a drunken quarrel, on their way home, which terminated in the death of James, the younger. The other was taken to the City Prison Hospital, where his wounds in the neck and scalp were attended to. The fratricide was so drunk at the time of the quarrel that he does not remember how it began, and only realized the enormity of his crime when he saw his brother fall, who died four minutes after.

A magnificient steamship for the Honolulu and San Francisco trade, the *San Jose*, was launched at Chester, Pa., on the morning of April 29. Another vessel of similar proportions, for the same trade, called the *San Juan*, will be launched next month. A third vessel, the *San Bias*, will be completed early in July, and having over 45,000 lbs. of Hubback's White Lead and Zinc of Different Qualities, besides a Full Line of all Paints wanted, and over 2000 Gallons of Hubback's *BEST PALE BOILED LINSEED OIL*, by the barrel, case or gallon. *HARVEY'S LEATHER* from California, the East and France, ever offered at the lowest price. We have now the Largest Stock of *LEATHER* from California, the East and France, ever offered at the lowest price. We cordially invite our friends and customers to call and examine our *SPLENDID STOCK OF GOODS* for themselves, and they will be convinced of what we say. [REDACTED]

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